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Mr. James Merritt Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) R&D Program Manager Office of Pipeline Safety DOT - PHMSA 793 Country Briar Lane Denver, CO 80129

Sent via Email: James.Merritt@dot.gov

Dear Mr. Merritt:

Subject: Interim Progress Report No. 1 on DOT SBIR Phase 1 Project under Contract No. DTRT5715C10023

Per the terms of the above contract deliverables, attached is Engineering Mechanics Corporation of Columbus' (Emc²'s) "Interim Progress Report No. 1" on the DOT SBIR Phase 1 Project titled "A Novel Approach to Establishing Remaining Strength of Line Pipe and Fittings with Corrosion Type Defects."

Please do not hesitate to contact either of us, if you need any additional information or have questions.

Sincerely,

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